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Descriptive Inventory

MSS 99 ROEMER, Sarah Gentry (Sears), 1868-1943

1 box. 7 folders. 93 items. 1890-1942. Originals.

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BIOGRAPHY

Sarah Gentry (Sears) Roemer was born on November 23, 1868 at Green Hill, Kentucky. (Warren County), the daughter of Edward N. and Mariah Cosby Sears. Sears was a farmer and itinerant Methodist minister. Sarah, who went by her middle name Gentry, married Charles Roemer on April 12, 1893 in Louisville. Charles and his brother, Emile F. Roemer, ran the Roemer Brothers Lumber Store at 813 Clay Street in Bowling Green. The Roemers lived at 533 E. Main Street. They had four children: James Hubert, Eldridge D., Ruby Wycliffe, and Leland Charles. She died on January 16, 1943 and is interred in Bowling Green's Fairview Cemetery.

COLLECTION

This collection of letters date from 1890 to 1942 with the bulk of them written between 1890 and 1903. The letters to Gentry (sometimes known as Jet) from Charles Roemer are courtship letters prior to their marriage in 1893. Most of the other letters are from her family members, some of whom moved from Warren County to Pierce City, Missouri, near the turn of the century. A number of the letters are written from the small Warren County hamlet of Motley, where the Roemer Brothers operated a saw mill. The letters concentrate on familial affairs and household news.

SHELF LIST

BOX 1

Folder 1 Inventory

Folder 2 Incoming letters from Charles Roemer 1890-1900 31 items

Folder 3	Incoming letters	1900-1902	22 items
Folder 4	Incoming letters	1903-1942	24 items
Folder 5	Incoming letters	n.d.	11 items
Folder 6	Outgoing letters	1901	2 items
Folder 7	Incoming letters to Hubert Roemer and M. V. Smock	1876-1907	3 items

BIBLIOGRAPHIC RECORD

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Correspondence of Warren County, Kentucky native, Sarah Gentry (Sears) Roemer. Most of the correspondents are her family members. The collection includes a number of courtship letters and notes (1890-1891) from Charles Roemer, her future husband.

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SUBJECT ANALYTICS

Allen Springs – Relating to B1,F7
Burdell, Cliff – Relating to B1,F4
Comfort, Lena B1,F3&4
Cosby, Ida B1,F4&5
Courtship, 1890-1891 B1, F2&5
Diet therapy B1,F3
Health B1,F3
Kellogg, F. J. B1,F3
Kirby, Lucy – Relating to B1,F7
Lumber industry and trade – Warren County B1,F2
McAlister, Lizzie B1,F3&4
McGillmore, George W. – Relating to B1,F7
Miller, W. T. B1,F3
Motley – Relating to B1,F2
Pierce City, Missouri – Relating to B1,F4
Roemer, Charles H., 1863-1945 B1,F2
Roemer, James Hubert – Letters to B1,F7
Roemer, Ruby B1,F4
Sears, Ed – Relating to B1,F7
Sears, Eliza B1,F3

Sears, Maria – Relating to B1,F7
Settle, Belle B1,F3
Von Tress, Sam – Relating to B1,F7

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